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1. [REDACTED] Polish workers in the Port of Stettin refused to transload to Soviet ships sugar which had arrived from the Soviet Zone of Germany. The Poles allegedly said that in Poland they were not given any sugar because the Soviets were requisitioning everything for themselves in Poland, and so they as Poles were not willing to assist in shipping German sugar to the U.S.S.R. Thereupon, the Soviet guards killed a Polish worker. The Polish workers overwhelmed the Soviet guards, and with arrival of Soviet reinforcements, a riot took place which is said to have resulted in the death of 10 people and the wounding of several. *

2. Since this demonstration, the daily train carrying crude oil from Saxony to Stettin has stopped operating. The transloading of briquettes has also been discontinued since 9 May. It appears that these trains now run to Rostock-Warnemuende. **

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- * [REDACTED] Comment. Soviet trains from the Soviet Zone of Germany to the port of Stettin operate via the Scheune border-crossing point. One train is scheduled to pass through Scheune in both directions daily. The port of Stettin handles mainly bulk goods such as cement, potash, fuels and sugar.
- ** [REDACTED] Comment. According to other information, a train loaded with crude oil ran from the Leuna hydrogenation plant to the port of Stettin almost daily until 5 May 1951. See [REDACTED]

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